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CAMBODIAN MILITARY COMMUNICATIONS REVEAL THAT ON THE

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CLASSIFIED NIGHT OF 26 - 27 MAY 1969, THE WRECKAGE ON A HELICOPTER
AN
CLASSIFIED THE BODIES OF THREE AMERICANS WERE FOUND IN SOUTH-
CLASSIFIED EASTERN MONDULKIRI PROVINCE. THE HELICOPTER WAS POSSIBLY
DOWNED DURING AN INCIDENT ON 23 MAY IN WHICH SEVERAL
ALLIED HELICOPTERS REPORTEDLY VIOLATED COMBODIAN AIRSPACE
IN THAT AREA. THE WRECKAGE OF THE HELICOPTER WAS RE-
COVERED AND IS BEING TAKEN TO PHNOM PENH; THE BODIES
WERE BURIED AT THE CRASHSITE.
ON 23 MAY 1969 AT NOON, FIVE ALLIED HELICOPTERS ALLEGEDLY
VIOLATED CAMBODIAN AIRSPACE AND STRAFED THE O POT (12-33N
107-35E; YU743886) AND O RET (12-30N 107-29E; YU670861)
VILLAGES KILLING FIVE VILLAGERS AND WOUNDING FIVE. LIVE-
STOCK AND MATERIAL DAMAGE WAS ALSO REPORTED. ON THE
NIGHT OF 26 - 27 MAY, WHILE VERIFYING THE AREA OF "THE
US-SVN STRAFING", CAMBODIAN FORCES FOUND THE HELICOPTER
AND THE THREE BODIES AT YU700845 (12-31N 107-30E). THE
BODIES, "UNIDENTIFIABLE AND DECOMPOSED," WERE PHOTOGRAPH-
ED AND BURIED AT THE CRASHSITE. THE HELICOPTER WAS TAKEN
TO SEN MONORUM (12-30N 107-15E; YU4483), THE PROVINCIAL
CAPITAL, AND IS PRESENTLY BEING TRANSPORTED TO PHNOM
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